Remarks

Reconsideration of this application on the merits is respectfully requested.

In response to the requirement for an election of invention set forth in the Office Action, claims readable on Invention I are hereby elected for prosecution on the merits. Presently, claims 1-18 and 25-33 read on the elected invention. Claims 19-24 and 34-39 have been cancelled without prejudice.

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